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ORGRES and the Management of Electric Power Stations

Administration of Electric Power Stations

1. In 1959 the Ministry of Electric Power Stations was abolished. The responsibility for the operation of electric power stations was then given to the economic councils of the respective areas, and the Ministry of Construction of Electric Power Stations was created to handle the construction of new stations. This new ministry was located in the building which formerly housed the Ministry of Electric Power Stations on ploshchad Nogina, number unknown.

2. ORGRES (Gosudarstvennyy Trest po Organizatsii i Ratsionalizatsii Rayonnykh Elektrostantsiy, State Trust for the Organization and Efficiency of Regional Electric[illegible] Power Stations), which was located at Semenovskaya naberezhnaya 2/1, was subordinate to the Ministry of Electric Power Stations until this ministry was abolished. Then it fell under the jurisdiction of GOSPLAN, with the Chief Directorate of Energetics (Glavnoye Energeticheskoye Upravleniye) serving as the intermediary between the two. The function of ORGRES was to improve working procedures, increase the output of power, and decrease the cost. It was directly in charge of the work at power stations in the environs of Moscow and Leningrad, and also had three subsidiary branches under it whose work it supervised. Since the branches had no technical sections of their own, they referred their problems to the technical section of ORGRES for solution.

3. Each branch attended to the power stations in its respective area. The branches were as follows:

   a. The southern branch (Yuzhnoye Otdeleniye ORGRES), which was located in Lvov and supervised the power stations in the Ukrainian and Belorussian SSR's.

   b. The Ural branch (Uralskoye Otdeleniye ORGRES), which was located in Sverdlovsk. [redacted] 50X1-HUM [redacted] it supervised all the stations in the Urals and their environs and various stations in Siberia.

   c. The Donets branch (Donetskoye Otdeleniye ORGRES), which was located in Gorlovka and supervised all the stations in the Donbas area, of which there were many.

4. There were quite a few electric power stations in Northern Siberia and the Far East which had no relation to ORGRES since they were usually small stations constructed to meet the needs of a certain industry, to supply lighting for a specific town, etc. These small stations were connected with another

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organization called PROMENERGO (Promyshlennaya Energetika, Industrial Energetics) which had the same function as ORGRES and was located in Moscow, address unknown.

5. ORGRES and its branches sent groups of technicians to China, Poland, and possibly other Bloc countries to improve the working procedures at electric power stations. 50X1-HUM

Organization of ORGRES

6. ORGRES was divided into two main sections: the technical section and the shop section (See the organizational chart on page 7). The technical section distributed work, advised the chief engineer, and edited pamphlets which were distributed to all power stations. The electrical department, which was part of the technical section, was in charge of inspecting and directing the work of the transmission line shop and electro-technical shop. It, along with all the other departments under the technical section, also distributed accounts of its achievements to the various power stations.

7. Each shop had a staff of specialists who visited the stations to observe and study any problems which might have existed. Their findings then went to ORGRES where they were studied, and a project was drawn up for correcting the difficulties. The project was then carried out in special repair shops at the station in question. However if the difficulties were not serious, they were corrected in the shops at the station without being referred to ORGRES.

8. The work of the transmission line shop consisted of studying ways of remedying the more frequent types of breakdowns. It designed instruments which could repair lines without cutting the power supply, improved the inspection equipment for determining the place of breakdown on a line, improved methods of assembling lines, and generally improved transmission lines.

ORGRES Personnel

9. There were approximately 1,000 employees in ORGRES, of which 600 to 650 were engineers, 250 to 300 technicians, and the rest, copyists, typists, laboratory employees, library employees, fitters, lathe operators, electricians, etc. There were three classifications of engineers: the most qualified and experienced group, which consisted of brigade and shop chiefs and of chiefs of the special departments within the technical section; senior engineers who were also well-qualified; and engineers with less experience who had usually just graduated. The last group was the most numerous.

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There were two classifications of technicians: senior technicians, some of whom were brigade chiefs, and regular technicians with less experience and fewer qualifications.

10. ORGRES personalities: 50X1-HUM

a. Petr Semenovich Goldenberg, ORGRES director and an energetics engineer. 50X1-HUM

b. Sokolov (fnu), chief engineer of ORGRES and an energetics engineer. 50X1-HUM

c. Stratonov (fnu), chief of the technical section and a thermal engineer. 50X1-HUM

d. Dobkin (fnu), deputy chief of the technical section, chief of the archives and technical library, and an energetics engineer. 50X1-HUM

e. Kuznetsov (fnu), chief of the steam processing shop and either a thermal or energetics engineer. 50X1-HUM

f. Astakhov (fnu), chief of the transmission lines shop and an electrical engineer. 50X1-HUM

g. Yurkevich (fnu), chief of the automatics shop and an energetics engineer. 50X1-HUM

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h. Kryzhanovskiy (fnu), chief of the economic planning section and an economics engineer.

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i. Minin (fnu), assistant to the chief engineer of ORGRES and an energetics engineer.

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j. Rebreyev (fnu), chief of a group within the technical section which supplied solid fuels (peat and coal) to thermal stations.

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k. Bunkin (fnu), chief of the turbine shop and a turbine engineer.

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l. Korotkov (fnu), chief of the boiler department within the technical section and a thermal engineer.

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m. Shmidt (fnu), worked in the turbine department within the technical section

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n. Sviy (fnu), chief of a brigade in the transmission lines shop and an electrical engineer. 50X1-HUM

o. Vladimirov (fnu), a thermal engineer who worked in the boiler department of the technical section. 50X1-HUM

p. Malts (fnu), assistant to the chief engineer of ORGRES until 1958. 50X1-HUM

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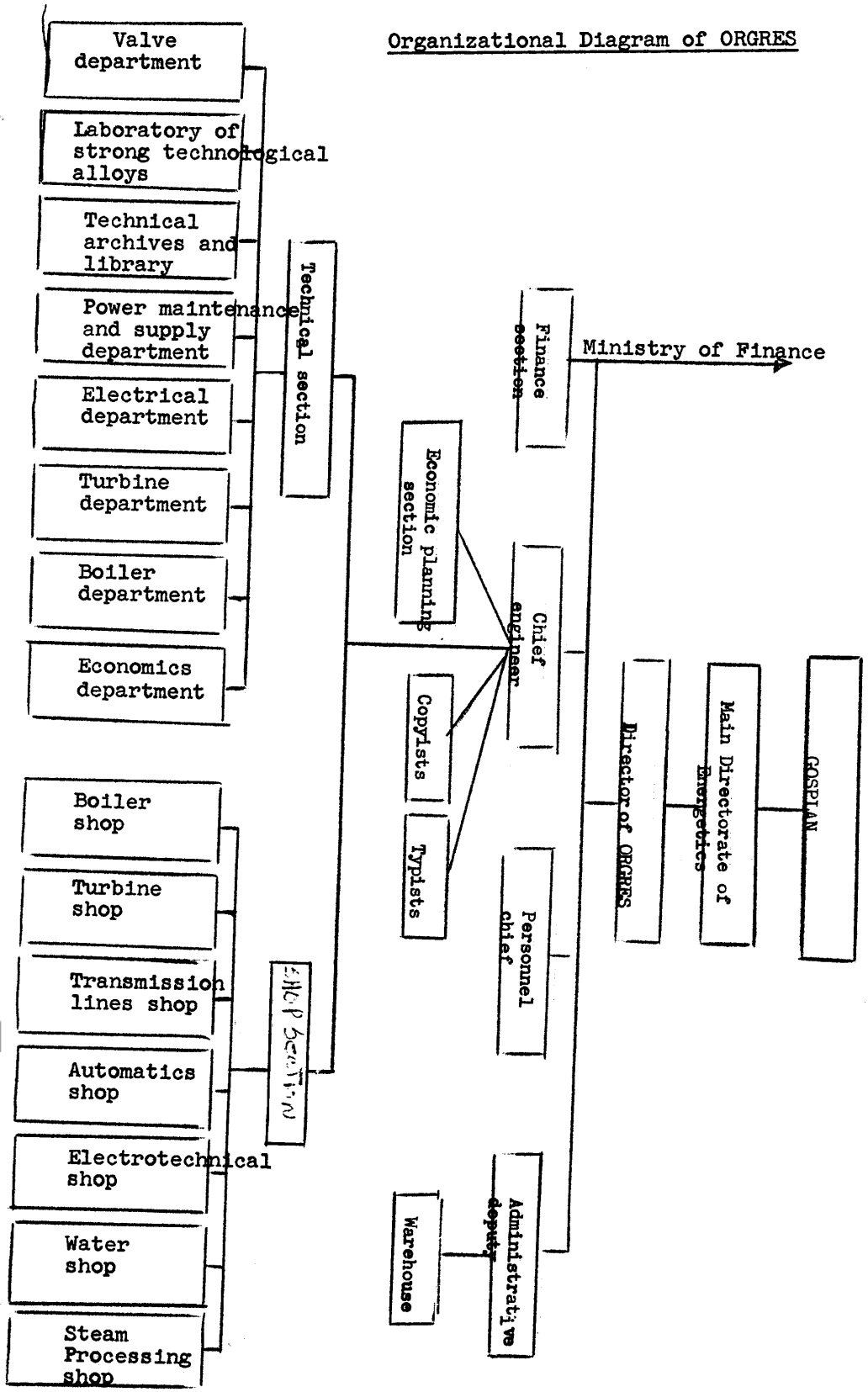
Organizational Diagram of ORGRES



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